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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, CU, GY

SUBJECT: PM BURNHAM WILL VISIT CUBA

REF: USUN 621

1. FONMIN RAMPHAL TOLD ME MARCH 25 THAT PM BURNHAM WILL MAKE STATE VISIT TO CUBA APRIL 7 TO 11. VISIT WAS ORIGINALLY PLANNED TO TAKE PLACE SEVERAL MONTHS AGO. RAMPHAL WILL TRAVEL WITH BURNHAM AS FAR AS JAMAICA BUT WILL NOT RPT NOT ACCOMPANY TO CUBA.

2. RAMPHAL IMPLIED TRIP WOULD BE WITHOUT ANY SPECTACULAR DEVELOPMENTS, THOUGH THERE WILL APPARENTLY BE AN AGREEMENT ON FURTHER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND CULTURAL EXCHANGES. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION

HE SAID THERE PROBABLY WILL BE A JOINT COMMUNIQUE AT CONCLUSION. I SAID I HOPED COMMUNIQUE WOULD NOT JOIN GUYANA WITH CUBA IN CONFRONTATIONAL RHETORIC, AND PARTICULARLY HOPED THAT IT WOULD NOT DEAL WITH PUERTO RICO, NOTING THAT GUYANA'S ASSOCIATION IN ANY WAY WITH CUBA'S POSITION ON PUERTO RICO WOULD BE VERY ILL-RECEIVED IN THE U.S. RAMPHAL REPLIED THAT HE WAS CONFIDENT PUERTO RICO WOULD NOT BE MENTIONED IN THE FINAL COMMUNIQUE, NOTING THAT GOG DEALS WITH PUERTO RICO DIRECTLY IN
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SEVERAL CARIBBEAN FORA AND THAT ANY SUCH MENTION WOULD COMPLICATE

GOG'S POSITION. HE ADDED THAT PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENCE
MOVEMENT'S PRINCIPAL SUPPORT WAS OBVIOUSLY IN NEW YORK RATHER
THAN PUERTO RICO
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